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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

The following information is being disclosed to the Patent and Trademark Office as information that may be material to the examination of the above-identified patent application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed together with the above-identified patent application. Thus, a certification under 37 CFR (e) or fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is not required for the information herein to be considered.

The above-identified patent application claims priority to German Patent Application No. 19933524.9 filed 16 July 1999. Applicants' attorney encloses a copy of the following references which were provided by the applicant and may be considered relevant to the above-identified patent application: United States Patent No. 4,866,778, German Patent Application Nos.: DE 19717601 A1; DE



69204045 T2 and "Fundamentals Of Speech Recognition", Rabiner et al., Prentice Hall PTR, Chapter 4, 1993.

Copies of these references are enclosed together with PTO-Form 1449.

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